



# Clay County Board Minutes



## COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska, June 28, 2011 at 9:00 A.M.

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met June 28, 2011 as per public notice given in the Clay County News on June 22, 2011 a copy of the proof of publication being on file in the County Clerk's Office. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice of the meeting and on the county website. Chairman Fintel presided with roll call showing the following present: Nuss, Samuelson, Anderson, Shaw, Schmidt and Fintel; absent: Johnson. Minutes of the meeting held June 21, 2011 were sent to the board members. All of the proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Chairman, Fintel stated that the open meeting law poster is posted on the west wall in the back of the room.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Schmidt to approve the minutes of the meeting held June 21, 2011 as mailed. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Shaw, Nuss and Fintel; absent: Johnson. Motion carried.

There was no public input.

Thomas Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent introduced Jon Myers, Civil Engineering Technician USDA NRCS. Mr. Myers spoke to the board about WPA projects. The first to be discussed is a Wetland Reserve Project that they would like to use the dirt from excavation to build up the road and also put in two new culverts. They will remove the old railroad track and asked if the county wanted the old ballasts. Tom said he would like to see the ballasts incorporated right in to the road. He stated that he had no objection to this project. The work would be done this fall; working around harvest but before winter sets in.

The second project concerns an existing Ducks Unlimited WRP project. Ducks Unlimited wants a berm built to hold in water that they would pump in. The berm proposal would hold water on another landowners property. Mr. Myers said there are other options and he wants to build up the road there as well and put in a culvert. This project would be done in late spring or early summer of 2012.

The board and the Highway Superintendent were supportive of building up the road and putting in culverts at both locations. A project agreement will be drawn up and presented to the board at a later date.

Tom presented the road work report, information concerning resolutions to install stop signs and his preliminary budget request. It was reported that the work on Road 323 has been completed; they are starting on a bridge on Road J and then will move on to Road S from Highway 41 to Highway 74 (Edgar Road).

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Anderson to adopt Resolution #11-15 to install a stop sign at the intersection of Road 307 and Road V. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Schmidt, Shaw, Nuss, Samuelson and Fintel; absent: Johnson. Motion carried.



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## RESOLUTION #11-15

**WHEREAS** Stop Signs and Traffic Control Devices have been installed at several intersections and other locations in Clay County, Nebraska, and it is the intention and desire of the Clay County Board of Supervisors to have and maintain a record of such traffic control devices and have them officially designated, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Clay County Board of Supervisors, Clay County Nebraska, in regular session assembled on June 28, 2011, that A Stop Sign be installed in Clay County at the following location:

At the SW Corner of Section 33, T6N-R5W Sheridan Township, on the intersection of Road 307 and Road V, to stop traffic traveling west on Road 307, as a result of sight distance problems and increased truck traffic on Road V.

MOTION by Shaw, to adopt the foregoing resolution, and second by Anderson, and upon roll call vote, YES 6, NO 0, ABSENT 1.

DONE this 28<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2011 at regular session of the Clay County Board of Supervisors.

/s/ Ivan Fintel, Chairman

/s/ Deb Karnatz, Clay County Clerk

Motion by Nuss and seconded by Schmidt to approve the Highway Superintendent's road work report for the month of June 2011. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Shaw, Nuss, Samuelson, Anderson and Fintel; absent: Johnson. Motion carried

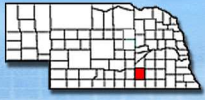
The preliminary budget request for the road department was reviewed. Some line items were increased while others were decreased with a \$20,000.00 over all increase being requested.

Bruce Rumsey, Weed Superintendent reported that there was 11,080 lbs. collected at the Electronic Waste Collection; there were 64 participants at the 5 and 10 K Fun Run; over 600 miles of county right of way has been sprayed; 180 inspection reports and 12 private spray jobs have been completed; 28 complaints have been resolved and the overhead door has been installed in the shop. The RC&D has lost its funding but the Twin Valley Weed Management has received grant money that will enable payment of rent on a building and payment of a part time administrator for another year. The Little Blue NRD will help with grant writing with the hope of continuing the tire recycling and the hazardous waste collection programs.

Jeff Franklin, County Sheriff reported on activity in his department and presented information on the roof repair and awning construction. The company that did the original roof work was contacted. It is primarily structural damage from the tree falling during the storm last year.

Motion by Anderson and seconded by Nuss to accept the estimate from Rick's Roofing for labor and materials to repair the roof on the Jail building for \$5500.00. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Nuss, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt and Fintel; absent: Johnson. Motion carried.

The awning should take the water from the roof 20 feet away from the building. Jeff feels that this along with the dirt work will eliminate the problems from the heavy rains.



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Motion by Shaw and seconded by Samuelson to accept the estimate from A & J Remodeling & Repair to construct an awning to eliminate water issues in the basement of the jail for \$3692.00. On roll call, yea: Nuss, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Shaw and Fintel; absent: Johnson. Motion carried.

The budget request for the Agricultural Extension Office was presented by Jenny Rees, Extension Educator. The office request is the same as last year; no increase other than what the board decides for salaries.

Jessica Whalen a community liaison for Congressman Adrian Smith met with the board to update them on some of the things going on in Washington as well as asking if there were concerns she could relay to the Congressman. Information concerning pending free trade agreements was left with the board. The board discussed the MARC road and funding needed for repairs. They also asked what the Congressman's thoughts were concerning conservation groups acquiring more land through out the Rainwater Basin area. Jessica will take these questions back with her and someone will get back to the County.

Kevin Perrien did not meet with the board.

There was no discussion on the agenda item: public comments to US Fish & Wildlife Service concerning their expansion.

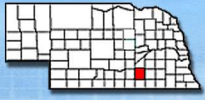
Loren Uden, Emergency Management Consultant brought a map of the Fire Districts for the board to have in the board room. Sheila Garvin will receive more training with the GIS mapping. GIS Workshop will change the mapping on the 911 software so that the colors on the computer screen will match those on the new maps. The LEOP updates have been completed and sent in. There were some bugs to work out with Deltaalert but everyone should be getting the tornado and severe thunderstorm warnings now. The office space that was being shared with a deputy will now be moved so that the EM space will be separate. The ID equipment will be stored in the new office space which will be more secure.

Ted Griess, County Attorney presented the preliminary budget request for his office. An increase of \$2300.00 to update technology was requested. Ted and Ivan reported on the TERC hearing that they attended last week. Selling the patrol car that was declared as surplus and the advertising for the Emergency Manager position were discussed.

Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Shaw to recess this meeting at 11:52 A.M. to enter session as the Board of Equalization. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Shaw, Nuss and Fintel; absent: Johnson. Motion carried.

Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Schmidt to resume session as the Board of Supervisors at 12:08 P.M. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Schmidt, Shaw, Nuss, Samuelson and Fintel; absent: Johnson. Motion carried.

The preliminary budget for the Zoning Office was presented with no changes.



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The preliminary requests for the misc. departments of Buildings Sinking, Relief Medical, Institutions, Employment Security, Handicapped Accessibility and General Misc. were reviewed. The Visitor Promotion, Visitor Improvement, Drug Law Enforcement, Federal Drug Law Enforcement, and Veterans Aid request/requirements were reviewed.

Survey results for road wages and benefits of other counties in our same category (population and valuation) were distributed to the board.

Redistricting requirements and timelines were discussed. Because of the complexity of the redistricting, the County Clerk does not feel qualified to do this. Since this is the responsibility of the Board of Supervisors, they can complete this task or hire someone to do it. GIS Workshop is working with other counties and has contacted the County Clerk about their services.

Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Shaw to authorize the chairman to sign the Contract for County Redistricting Services between Clay County and GIS Workshop. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Shaw, Nuss, Samuelson, Anderson and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson and seconded by Samuelson to adjourn this meeting at 12:37 P.M.; next meeting scheduled for July 12, 2011. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Nuss, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt and Fintel; absent: Johnson. Motion carried.

Deborah Karnatz, County Clerk

Ivan Fintel, Chairman